

California State Fire Marshal CODE INTERPRETATION

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Topic	Sprinkler System Monitoring and Alarms		
Code Section(s)	§ 904.3, California Building Code (1998 ed) § 1007.3.3.3.4, California Fire Code (1998 ed)		
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When installing an automatic fire sprinkler monitoring system, is Section 1007.3.3.4 of the California Fire Code (which requires the installation of strobes and horns) impacted by Section 904.3 of the California Building Code?

No. Section 9904.3.2 of the California Building Code only requires an approved audible sprinkler flow alarm in the interior of the building at a normally occupied location. It is not the intent of Section 904 to require the installation of a fire alarm system in a building where it is not otherwise required.